

Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board C/O Jack Travelstead /Sonya Davis

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Virginia Marine Resources Commission 2600 Washington Avenue Third Floor Newport News, VA 23607

Dear Recreational Fishing Advisory Board Members:

The Peninsula Salt Water Sport Fisherman Association has reviewed the Fall 2008 proposals submitted to you and would like to express ours views on these projects.

Individual Project Comments:

Multi-Year Projects for Renewal:

A. 2009 Children's Fishing Clinic (year12) (\$6000). SUPPORT.

- B. 2009 Kiwanis Club Children's Fishing Clinic (year 8) (\$6,000). SUPPORT.
- C. Federal Assistance (Wallop-Breaux) Matching Funds FY 2009 (\$321,820). **DO NOT SUPPORT**.
- D. Improving stock assessment of weakfish (year 2) (\$130,876). MINIMAL SUPPORT
- E. 2009 Virginia Game Fish Tagging (year 15) (\$86,698). SUPPORT.

New Projects:

- F. Migrations of Adult Summer Flounder from Chesapeake Bay: Implications for Stock Structure (\$83,605). SUPPORT.
- G. Use of Pop-up Satellite Archival Tags (PSATs) to Determine the Fate, Movement, and Habitat Utilization of Red Drum Released from Virginia's Recreational Fishery (\$93,569). **SUPPORT.**
- H. Seasonal Caloric Needs and Energy Intake of Chesapeake Bay's Predatory Fishes: Which Fuel Growth and Reproduction (\$40,060). **DO NOT SUPPORT**

We appreciate the opportunity to express our views on the <u>disbursement of our state's</u> recreational saltwater license funds.

Thank you for your consideration.

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